


 National Transportation Safety Board FACTUAL REPORT AVIATION		NTSB ID: FTW88IA109		Aircraft Registration Number: N75356	
		Occurrence Date: 05/24/1988		Most Critical Injury: None	
		Occurrence Type: Incident		Investigated By: NTSB	
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place NEW ORLEANS	State LA	Zip Code 70189	Local Time 1255	Time Zone CDT	
Airport Proximity: Off Airport/Airstrip		Distance From Landing Facility: 0			
Aircraft Information Summary					
Aircraft Manufacturer BOEING		Model/Series 737-3T0 /737-3T0		Type of Aircraft Airplane	
Revenue Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>*** Note: NTSB investigators used data provided by various sources and may not have traveled in support of this investigation to prepare this aircraft incident report. ***</p>					
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Landing Facility/Approach Information					
Airport Name	Airport ID:	Airport Elevation Ft. MSL	Runway Used 0	Runway Length	Runway Width
Runway Surface Type:					
Runway Surface Condition:					
Approach/Arrival Flown: NONE					
VFR Approach/Landing: Forced Landing					
Aircraft Information					
Aircraft Manufacturer BOEING		Model/Series 737-3T0 /737-3T0		Serial Number 23838	
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Transport					
Landing Gear Type: Retractable - Tricycle					
Amateur Built Acft? No	Number of Seats: 146	Certified Max Gross Wt.	135500 LBS	Number of Engines: 2	
Engine Type: Turbo Fan	Engine Manufacturer: GE	Model/Series: CFM56-3B1	Rated Power: 20000 LBS		
- Aircraft Inspection Information					
Type of Last Inspection Continuous Airworthiness	Date of Last Inspection 05/1988	Time Since Last Inspection 10 Hours	Airframe Total Time 81 Hours		
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information					
ELT Installed?/Type Yes /	ELT Operated? No	ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site? No			
Owner/Operator Information					
Registered Aircraft Owner POLARIS AIRCRAFT LEASING CORP.		Street Address FOUR EMBARCADERO CENTER			
		City SAN FRANCISCO	State CA	Zip Code 94111	
Operator of Aircraft TACA INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES		Street Address P.O. BOX 20047			
		City KENNER	State LA	Zip Code 70141	
Operator Does Business As:			Operator Designator Code: TAIF		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held:					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):					
Operating Certificate: Large Aircraft Operator			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 129: Foreign					
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Unknown; Scheduled; International; Passenger/Cargo					
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Weather Information					
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation	WOF Distance From Accident Site	Direction From Accident Site
NEW	1253	CDT	9 Ft. MSL	5 NM	300 Deg. Mag.
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Unknown			0 Ft. AGL	Condition of Light: Day	
Lowest Ceiling: Broken		4500 Ft. AGL		Visibility: 8 SM	Altimeter: 29.00 "Hg
Temperature: 25 °C	Dew Point: 22 °C	Weather Conditions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions			
Wind Direction: 170		Wind Speed: 10		Wind Gusts:	
Visibility (RVR): 0 Ft.	Visibility (RVV) 0 SM				
Precip and/or Obscuration:					

Accident Information					
Aircraft Damage: Minor		Aircraft Fire: None		Aircraft Explosion: None	

- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL	
First Pilot				1	1	
Second Pilot				1	1	
Student Pilot						
Flight Instructor						
Check Pilot				1	1	
Flight Engineer						
Cabin Attendants				4	4	
Other Crew						
Passengers				38	38	
- TOTAL ABOARD -				45	45	
Other Ground	0	0	0		0	
- GRAND TOTAL -	0	0	0	45	45	

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Administrative Information		
Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) WARREN V. WANDEL		
Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation: JOHN ABEL BATON ROUGE, LA		
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